

## Message Text

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TO AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA  
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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: BBAK, GT, VC

SUBJ: UNITED STATES ESTATE BANK; DR. PETER BEKENY

REF: GUATEMALA 2020

1. FINANCIAL SOURCE IN ST. VINCENT INFORMS US THAT SUBJECT BANK IS REGISTERED WITH VINCENTIAN GOVERNMENT AS OFF-SHORE FINANCIAL INSTITUTION. IT HAS NO LOCAL COMMERCIAL BANK ACCOUNT OR ADDRESS OTHER THAN A POST OFFICE BOX. DR. PETER BEKENY HAS NO LOCAL COMMERCIAL BANK ACCOUNT. BANK IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN FORMED AS VEHICLE FOR POSSIBLE FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS BY DR. BEKENY. SOURCE COMMENTED THAT INQUIRY SIMILAR TO OURS HAD JUST BEEN RECEIVED FROM LONDON, WHICH WOULD ORDINARILY MEAN SUBJECT INDIVIDUAL WAS ATTEMPTING TO PASS COMMERCIAL PAPER.

2. ANOTHER FINANCIAL SOURCE IN ST. VINCENT CONFIRMS THAT DR. BEKENY HAS NO LOCAL COMMERCIAL BANK ACCOUNT.  
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